

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m., with Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, Brian Sheehan and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Scott Murray, WKWH, and Starr Shuppert, *Rushville Republican*.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the April 19, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * *

Mayor Bridges reported the following to Council:

- Attended the annual NAACP dinner last Saturday at the Elk's Club in Rushville. The featured speaker was David Lewis, former aide to Senator Evan Bayh, now serving as Clerk of the Courts.
- Distributed to each a copy of the minutes of the April 4th Rush County Solid Waste Management District meeting that were approved at last night's meeting.
- There will be a Fiber Board meeting tomorrow at 4pm at the Rush/Shelby conference room (upstairs).
- This Saturday, May 7th from 10am to 2pm the Heart of Rushville will be holding its annual Springfest. There will also be the rebirth of the "annual lawnmower race" at 12:30 starting on the city parking lot behind the Rushville Pharmacy and blazing through the downtown streets.
- I have received a request from Bonnie Moody. She is in need of 3 people to collect money for Habitat for Humanity from noon to 2pm at either 2nd and Perkins or 1st and Morgan. If you are interested and can help, please contact her at 932-1355.
- I will be attending the Ara Board of Director's retreat May 11th and 12th.
- The annual Chamber of Commerce luncheon will be on May 19th from 11:30 to 1:00 at the Elk's Club. If you are interested in attending contact my office and we will reserve a place for you.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * *

Copley passed out a copy of a survey performed by H.J. Umbaugh, which included information for Rushville City and some surrounding cities.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT * * *

Pavey reported that they are hoping to have the roof on the amphitheater by this weekend.

The planning and zoning committee will meet this Thursday.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * *

Police – Fudge passed out a monthly report. He will try to have one each month.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * *

Scott Murray urged the City Administration to reinforce or strengthen the meth bill.

Next Council Meeting Date – Bridges said we needed to have a meeting on May 25th since an error was made by the newspaper on an advertisement. He said if Council wanted to disregard the meeting on the 17th that was okay with him. It was the consensus of Council to have 2 meetings in May with the second meeting being on May 25th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * *

Bids on Wilson Estates – The following 2 bids were received on the lots advertised for sale in Wilson Estates:

- Chelvert C. and Yumi Okada
Lot #17
\$13,950.00
- Jack W. and Lora J. Richardson
Lot #15
\$13,950.00

Pavey made a motion to accept Okada's bid on lot #17. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pavey made a motion to accept Richardson's bid on lot #15. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Those present then sang "Happy Birthday" to Lora Richardson.

Regulation of Truck Parking in City Limits – Council reviewed the recommendation from the safety committee. After lengthy discussion, Fields moved to have the City prepare an ordinance for the next meeting with the recommended revisions. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Annexation Claims – Sheehan made a motion to approve the invoices from M.D. Wessler on the annexation project. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

GIS Agreement – Byrne made a motion to approve the GIS Maintenance Agreement. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS * * *

Copeland CF1 – Ann Sherman gave a PowerPoint presentation to Council and asked them to consider approve the CF1 for tax abatement. Sheehan moved to approve the CF1 for Copeland. Pavey seconded the motion. Councilman Byrne abstained from voting.

Resolution 2005-9 Temporary Loan – Sheehan made a motion to approve the temporary loan resolution. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Skateboard Ordinance – An ordinance regulating the use of skateboards in the City of Rushville was presented for consideration. Sheehan made a motion to approve the ordinance with the addition of:

- Adding "not exclusive to wood" on the description of a skateboard;
- to hold a confiscated skateboard for 72 hours;
- add the Code Enforcement Officer may also impound skateboards.

Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Elimination of Overnight Parking at Water & Morgan Street – Bennett proposed to eliminate overnight and longtime parking. He said we would need that area for parking for the Riverside Park. Fields moved to cease commercial parking at midnight June 5th. Motion died for lack of second. Byrne moved to table the matter for further investigation. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims – Sheehan made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER